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Ms. Anne Marie Boehler, Examiner
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Dear Ms. Boehler,

I am a friend of Martin F. Wimmer, who currently has applied to the United States Patent Office under Number 10/628,536, filed July 28, 2003, TC/A.U. 3611, Confirmation 8730, Docket Number 17005-1, Customer Number 23486. Mr. Wimmer's application is for a "FRONT WHEEL SUSPENSION SYSTEM FOR VEHICLES HAVING A SINGLE FRONT WHEEL".

I am writing only to offer any assistance I might be able to provide to any interested party, because I helped translate into English, the words describing Mr. Wimmer's description & claims for the above mentioned patent. English is not Mr. Wimmer's first language, and he experienced some difficulty explaining certain technical aspects of his ideas. I offered to help him, and together we researched at the patent office in Munich, Germany, and ultimately hired a patent attorney in my home state of Iowa.

Consequently, I became very familiar with the design of the system, and was able to put into words, the ideas which became the basis for the patent application. I was recently given a copy of the request to select a single version of the application, and asked to help in that process. I clearly understand that there can be nearly overwhelming complexity to the understanding of this system/application when one has only schematic drawings and technical descriptions & claims to work with. So if there is any way I may be able to offer assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me; I'll be happy to help if I can.

Incidentally, we have, in fact, made a bicycle using one of the versions of this system, and it operates successfully.

If it is inappropriate of me to make this contact, please accept my apologies; I have no experience in this area, but I once contacted the Patent Office to assist with payment of some fees, and information was freely given with no reprimand, so perhaps this is acceptable. If not, I'm sorry, and I thank you for your kind assistance. I am not an

attorney nor an employee of Mr. Wimmer or any one else. Martin Wimmer approves of this letter.

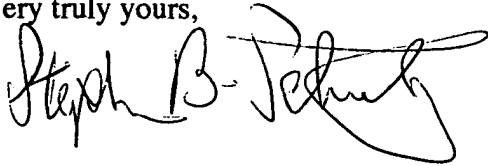
If you would need any contact, I can be reached as follows:

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Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steph B. Schultz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Stephen B. Schultz